

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PREGROUTED BASEPLATE FOR SUPPORTING ROTATING MACHINERY, the specification of which is attached hereto. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the attached specification, including the claims. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with Sec. 1.56(a), Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations.

I hereby appoint the following attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Jackie Lee Duke, Registry No. 33,378; whose address is 1001 West Loop South, Suite 100, Houston, Texas 77027-9009. Address all telephone calls to Jackie Lee Duke at (713) 964-6737.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First/Sole Applicant: Kermit L. Palmer

Title: "PREGRouted BASEPLATE FOR SUPPORTING ROTATING MACHINERY"

Small Entity Declaration - Independent Inventor(s)

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to my above-identified invention described in the specification filed herewith. I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed — and am under no obligation under any contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license — any rights in the invention to either (a) any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or (b) any concern which would not qualify as either (i) a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or (ii) a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed — or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license — any rights in the invention is listed below:

There is no such person or organization.
 Any applicable person, concern, or organization is listed below:*

Full Name: C. R. Gregg & Associates, Inc.

Address: 908 Town and Country Blvd., Suite 550, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77024

I acknowledge a duty to file, in the above application for patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement if directed.


Signature of Sole/First Inventor

Kermit L. Palmer
Print Name of Sole/First Inventor

Date of Signature: 19 Sept 2000

*Note: A separate Small Entity Statement is required from any listed entity.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First/Sole Applicant: Kermit L. Palmer

Title: PREGRouted BASEPLATE FOR SUPPORTING ROTATING MACHINERY

Small Entity Declaration - Small Business Concern

I hereby declare that I am

the owner of the small business concern identified below:

an officer of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

Name of Concern: C. R. Gregg & Associates, Inc.

Address of Concern: 908 Town & Country Blvd., Suite 550, Houston, Harris County, Texas 77024

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(d) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the above entitled invention of the above applicants and the specification filed herewith.

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Signature of Officer of Small Business Concern



Date

Kermit L. Palmer, President

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